

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method for establishing a collaborative training session, comprising the steps of:
 - (a) establishing a network connection between a plurality of users;
 - (b) selecting a mode for the network connection between the plurality of users;
 - (c) establishing the network connection mode between the plurality of users; and
 - (d) synchronizing the mode between the plurality of users.
2. A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 1, wherein the mode is a specific application that is shared between the plurality of users.
3. A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 1, wherein the mode is a whiteboard application that is shared between the plurality of users.
4. A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 1, wherein the mode is a chat room that is shared between the plurality of users.
5. A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 1, wherein the mode is a video conference for the plurality of users.
6. A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 1, wherein the mode includes media sharing between the plurality of users.
7. A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 1, wherein the mode includes interactive browsing between the plurality of users.
8. A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 1, wherein the mode includes newsgroup sharing between the plurality of users.

9. A method for establishing a collaborative training session as recited in claim 1, wherein the mode includes discussion group sharing between the plurality of users.
10. An apparatus for establishing a collaborative training session, comprising:
(a) logic that establishes a network connection between a plurality of users;
5 (b) logic that selects a mode for the network connection between the plurality of users;
(c) logic that establishes the network connection mode between the plurality of users; and
(d) logic that synchronizes the mode between the plurality of users.
11. A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session, comprising:
(a) a code segment that establishes a network connection between a plurality of users;
(b) a code segment that selects a mode for the network connection between the plurality of users;
5 (c) a code segment that establishes the network connection mode between the plurality of users; and
(d) a code segment that synchronizes the mode between the plurality of users.
12. A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 11, wherein the mode is a specific application that is shared between the plurality of users.
13. A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 11, wherein the mode is a whiteboard application that is shared between the plurality of users.
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14. A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 11, wherein the mode is a chat room that is shared between the plurality of users.

15. A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 11, wherein the mode is a video conference for the plurality of users.
- 5 16. A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 11, wherein the mode includes media sharing between the plurality of users.
17. A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 11, wherein the mode includes interactive browsing between the plurality of users.
- 10 18. A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 11, wherein the mode includes newsgroup sharing between the plurality of users.
- 15 19. A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a collaborative training session as recited in claim 11, wherein the mode includes discussion group sharing between the plurality of users.